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One Town's Experience.

Some people are expressing the opinion that the campaign carried on in Summit and many other places for the past two years against the mosquito pest has proved unsuccessful, and that the use of oil on ponds, etc., has only resulted in driving the winged torturers from their natural abiding places into our houses. Some people even go so far as to say that the mosquitoes thrive on oil, and grow fat thereon. The facts seem to be as follows, as least so far as Summit is concerned: The Town Improvement Association procured a large number of the local pest this spring and submitted them to the United States Entomologist at Washington; and, as reported by the Association in a recent communication to the Common Council, the authorities have found that all these mosquitoes are what are known as the "cesspool" variety, and not such as breed in ponds or stagnant water in the woods. This would seem to strongly fortify the contention that the use of oil on ponds, etc., has been successful in destroying the insects that formerly bred there, and all that we have to contend with now is the variety that breeds in the vicinity of our houses, particularly in cesspools. If this is so, all householders who are still obliged to use cesspools should see to it that a cupful or so of kerosene is poured on them every two weeks; and when the use of a cesspool is no longer necessary, it should be filled up and this fertile source of breeding destroyed. On the other hand, the fact that mosquitoes have been more prevalent during the past two years than ever before, has resulted in an apparently strong argument against the oil campaign; still, the increased number of insects seems to exist in localities where oil has been used, and, indeed, seems to be the result of a widespread visitation. In any event, the indications seem to bear out the contention that oil is effective, and householders should give it a thorough test on their cesspools, unused wells, cisterns, etc.—*Summit Herald*.

Fire Officials at a Fire Drill.

Chief Engineer James Y. Nicoll, Assistant Chief John Schwab, Councilman Jesse C. Green of the Fire Committee, Superintendent of Fire Alarm A. F. Olson and Town Clerk Wm. L. Johnson visited the Sprague Electric Works on Thursday afternoon and were taken on a tour of inspection of the large plant by Purchasing Agent Charles Noll. The visit on the part of the fire officials was for the purpose of testing that part of the town fire alarm system located in the Sprague factory. While they were at the factory Mr. Noll, who is Chief Engineer of the Sprague Electric Company Fire Brigade, called out the brigade for fire drill. Chief Nicoll and others of the visiting party were surprised and pleased with the rapidity and skill with which the company's fire fighting apparatus was brought out and put into action. Chief Nicoll complimented Chief Noll and his assistants upon the excellence of their work and the completion of the factory equipment for guarding against the spread of fire.

Assistant Chief Schwab, who is a veteran New York city fireman, and who has had a long experience in fire matters, also complimented the Sprague fire brigade upon their speedy and thorough system of work. Town Clerk Johnson, who has been for years an active member of the local fire department, also extended congratulations, as also did Councilman Green, to Chief Noll and his men. While the Sprague Electric Company's Fire Brigade is a private institution, the promotion of friendly relations between the officials of that company and the public fire officials is a move in the right direction, and no doubt the hospitality of the public fire officials may be extended to Chief Noll and his assistants on some future occasion.

Carpet Cleaning.

Now is the time to clean carpets. If you want your carpets taken up, cleaned and laid, send word to D. Douglass, No. 9 Park street, Montclair. Mr. Douglass has had years of experience carpet cleaning, and has a large patronage in this town, Glen Ridge and Montclair. Those intending to move can have their carpets taken up, cleaned and laid on short notice. The work will be well and promptly done.—Adv.

The License Question.

SIR: The Rev. Elbert Clement, a former pastor of the Watsessing M. E. Church, and now pastor of the Nutley Methodist Church, recently preached a sermon on the interesting subject of "The Granting of Saloon Licenses by Governing Bodies." Nutley is governed by the town act, the same as this town, and the rules and regulations under which saloon licenses are granted are the same as those in vogue here, and the clergyman's remarks apply to the situation here as well as in Nutley.

The clergyman's text was "Woe to them that decree unrighteous decrees." The pastor declared that it was a good thing to be intrusted with the powers of government by the people and to use it for their benefit. It should, he said, never be forgotten by those who govern that they are accountable to one who is higher than the highest. Continuing, Mr. Clement said:

"The time is near when the Town Council will consider the question of licensing saloons. The pressure for saloons will be strong. In this discussion we will assume that our Councilmen are high minded, with the interests of the town at heart, and mean to do their duty. We wish to help them."

"Our position is that the number of saloons should not be increased and should be diminished as far as possible, even to extermination. The line of thought is: The saloon in relation to the general public, to the church and to the Council, and the relation of the Council to the public.

"The saloon is a place of business

for the sale of intoxicating liquors to those who wish their intoxicating effects. The effect is bad upon the body, reducing its strength for work and the power to resist disease, and inducing dangerous diseases. It injures the brain and weakens the mind, making it confused, uncertain and unreliable in action. It perverts the sensibilities and affections, degrades the habits into coarseness and vulgarity, making the man disagreeable and terrible to family and friends, and often a public nuisance. The saloon is the chief factor in political corruption, and is the greatest danger to American prospects. Not all who frequent saloons are disreputable. Some are men of position, but all the bad and dangerous use the saloon and often make it the place of conspiracy against law and order. It is the chief source of supply for poorhouses, prisons and hospitals, and is the chief occasion for fear for property, honor and life.

"Its relation to the church is that of direct uncompromising enmity. Its tendency is to undo all the work of the church. The relation of the saloon to the Town Council is this: There can be no saloon without the will of the Council. Now, what is the relation of the Council to the public? Its members are elected by the voters, and are responsible to the public. They have no other concern than the welfare of the public. High-minded and proper men will regard nothing else. The saloon people and their supporters are not the public. They are in the minority, and if they were not—if they were in the majority—they should be denied. For it is a fallacy to say that the majority should rule always. When the majority orders an immorality or treason it must be resisted unto the last extremity. Majorities carried the Southern States into secession. If Nutley should vote unanimously to secede from New Jersey, or to rob the banks in Newark, it would soon be taught its error. Therefore, our Town Council is bound, under the obligations of public policy, righteousness and true manhood, to set itself against the saloon.

"It was chiefly for the better control of the saloon question that our form of government was changed from township to town. We assume that the Council will do right, and we make this delivery to help them."

The Track Elevation Question.

To THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN:

SIR: I am glad that your correspondent "Observer" has taken up the track elevation question and discussed it in such a comprehensive and conservative manner. The people of this town have long been urging the elevation of the tracks of the Lackawanna Railroad here, and especially at Glenwood avenue crossing, one of the worst death-traps in the town. Now that the railroad company is willing to accommodate the citizens by abolishing this dangerous point, I think the Town Council ought to aid it in every possible way. This is a progressive age, and all important places in this country are having railroad tracks elevated and dangerous grade crossings abolished.

"Not one cent for track elevation" is a very narrow policy, as "Observer" very justly remarks.

A petition signed by 150 boys requesting the board to adopt a one-session

plan was laid on the table. Six bids for supplying the schools with coal were read. The price asked in each case

was \$5.40 per ton. The award of the contract was laid over until the next meeting.

One Hundred in Gold.
The Erie Railroad Company offers a prize of \$100 in gold to the one who will suggest the best name for the best train that will run to the World's Fair at St. Louis. The prize is offered on one condition only, namely: The name suggested for the train must be one that will cling to the memory—even as a trip on it will linger pleasantly in the mind of every passenger. It must be a name to fit the World's Fair train by the most attractive route between New York and St. Louis. If more than one suggests the name selected the prize will be given to the first one suggesting it. Write the name you suggest plainly and mail to Erie Contest Department, room 314, Vanderbilt Building, New York. Contest closes June 14.

Dudley Buck Praise Service.

The annual "Children's Day" exercises will be held in Westminster Church to-morrow morning. There will be an address by the pastor, singing, etc.

In the evening there will be a special praise service under the auspices of the Men's Club. This service promises to be of unusual interest. Rev. George A. Paull will make the address and the quartette will sing a number of selections from the compositions of Dudley Buck. The musical part of the evening programme is as follows:

Organ Prelude, "Sunshine and Shadow," Buck

Anton Deum,

Trios, Soprano, Alto and Bass,

"Peace Troubled Soul," Buck

Duet, Soprano and Tenor,

"Jesus Lord is my Light," Buck

Offertory, organ solo, "At Evening," Buck

Quartette, "O Gladsome Light," (from the Golden Legend), Buck

Contralto Solo, "My Pilgrimage," Buck

Organ Postlude, Festive March, Buck

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Sigler-Blunt.

The marriage of Miss Maude Blunt of Walnut street to George Sigler of Thomas street took place recently at the rectory of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, East Orange, and was performed by the Rev. Mr. Taylor. The bride was gowned in white organdy and carried in the valley. She was attended by her sister, Miss Blanche Blunt, while her brother, Ernest Blunt, was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Sigler are home from a stay at Niagara Falls and are residing in Thomas street.

Thirteenth Anniversary.

The members of the East Orange Women's Christian Temperance Union will celebrate the thirteenth anniversary of the organization of the Union in W. C. T. U. Hall near the corner of Dodd and Prospect streets, on Wednesday afternoon, June 15, from three to five o'clock. State President, Miss Emma Bourne is expected to be present and make an address. Refreshments will be served and a cordial invitation is extended to all friends of the Union to attend the anniversary exercises.

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